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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, respectfully request a one-month extension of the time period for responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated June 7, 2001.

With this filing, the period for response is thus extended up to and including September 7, 2001.

Our check including the \$110.00 extension of time fee is included herewith.

Please charge any additional fees which may be necessary with respect to this filing to the Deposit Account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 02-4300, and credit any overpayment to said Deposit Account.

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